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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: N. Wright
Keiichi IWAMURA)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2134
Application No.: 09/537,877)	
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed, together with the English Abstracts.

The cited documents may be deemed relevant because they were cited during prosecution of a counterpart Japanese application. Applicant believes the English Abstracts adequately summarize the disclosed subject matter.

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It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

FEE STATEMENT

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the mailing of a first Official Action on the merits of the application. Accordingly, Applicants submit herewith the \$180.00 Information Disclosure Statement fee. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency in payment to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for that purpose.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

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		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO/ OR ABSTRACT
		10-294726	11/04/1998	Japan			Abstract
		10-164548	06/19/1998	Japan			Abstract
OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)							
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